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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated September 17, 2007, and having a response due date set for December 17, 2007. The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

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